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CEQA NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE: Ross Park Repair Project

PROJECT APPLICANT: City of Eureka - Community Services

PROJECT LOCATION: Parcel block bounded by 11th, 12th, M and N Streets. APN 005-152-001.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Community Services is proposing minor improvements to Ross Park, a City-owned parcel, in order to restore an existing playground to improve safety. Improvements include: removal of the existing rubber playground surfacing and replacing it with new rubber tile surfacing over the existing concrete; repairing damaged playground platforms; removal of 2 playground poles; and, replacement of an interactive panel on a playground platform. All work will be completed with hand tools and a mini excavator, and no ground disturbance is anticipated because all of the work will be performed on top of the existing concrete pavement. The proposed project is estimated to take approximately 2 weeks. The project should be completed by December 2021.

EXEMPTION FINDINGS: The City of Eureka as Lead Agency has determined that the above described activity is subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The Lead Agency has further

determined that the project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to a Class 1 categorical exemption (Section 15301 Existing Facilities), which exempts restoration or rehabilitation of deteriorated or damaged structures, facilities, or mechanical equipment to meet current standards of public health and safety, unless it is determined that the damage was substantial and resulted from an environmental hazard such as earthquake, landslide, or flood. The project meets this exemption because the playground was not damaged as a result of an environmental hazard, and the improvements will repair and restore the playground to meet the current standards of public safety. The playground has deteriorated, creating a safety issue. The improvements will reduce tripping hazards and improve overall safety within the playground. Furthermore, the Lead Agency has determined that use of the categorical exemption is not barred by one of the exceptions set forth in Section 15300.2 of the CEQA Guidelines.

The material supporting the above finding is on file with Development Services – Planning and Community Services. Copies of the documents related to the evaluation of this project are available for review upon request at the City of Eureka, 531 K Street, Eureka, CA 95501.



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Date